



Keiraview Uniting Church

22nd December 2019

4th Sunday in
Advent

9:30am Morning Worship
6:30pm Evening Worship

34 Fisher St., West
Wollongong

Sharing life's journey with faith, hope and love in Christ.

"For this is how God loved the world; He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16 NLT

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A Fairtrade Faith Community

A warm welcome to all worshipping with Keiraview today.

Morning Worship will be led by Rev Annette Hawken at Keiraview. All are welcome to stay for morning tea after.

Evening Worship will be led by Rev Annette Hawken at Keiraview.

This Week at Keiraview

Today	Prayer Meeting 8:30am in the meeting room at Keiraview see Norma Coudrey for details or any prayer requests.
Wed 25 th	Christmas Day Celebration and Worship 9:00am
Sun 29 th	There will be no evening service on the 29 th December 2019. Please join us for the morning service as we close 2019 giving thanks and praise and prepare our hearts for a new year of service for God.

Congratulations to Clive and Annette on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Agape Home Thailand

A team of 10 volunteers are heading off to Thailand in April next year.

They will be volunteering their time to carry out painting, renovating, odd jobs and other assistance. They will be raising funds to buy materials for renovations as well as small bedside cabinets for the children so that they can have their own personal place for their clothes and special treasures.

The goal will be to raise \$2,000 and we will be launching a fund raising campaign to do this. A "DONATIONS BOX" will be left in the Foyer each week up until the end of March during Church Services. Any funds raised this way will be greatly appreciated.

At the Carols Evening we will have a stall with delicious Thai tasting goodies along with cakes, slices, biscuits and Christmas fare for sale. We would be most appreciative of donations of any biscuits slices etc to sell on this stall.

Team members will be around if you would like to know more about this wonderful project.



Thank you to all who came to the Community and Family Carol Service and for those who helped in so many ways to make this a happy successful event. There are far too many to name so I won't try but you know who you are and all your help and support has been very much appreciated.

There were weeks of preparation and I do need to thank the Nurture and Fellowship MAT members for their commitment to the tasks they took on. These events don't just happen. There is a lot of planning , goodwill and willingness from a lot of folk.

So again I thank you and wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas. May you experience the Joy, Hope, Peace and Love of this Blessed Season.

Love & Blessings Fae

Notices @ Keiraview

The last edition of Notices@Keiraview will be published on 29th December 2019 before the January Break. Please make sure that any notices for January are submitted before December 27th.

Prayer

For all those with parenting responsibilities.

For all refugees.

For all those who come to question the real meaning of Christmas and who meet Jesus.

For the Bowral / Kangaloon Congregation, for work with the community pantry and food ministry.

A prayer of joy:

Joyful God,

You loved us before we knew you and you came to be with us in Jesus, God Emanuel.

Help us to be joyful that because you so love the world you come to meet us where we are. **Amen**

Safe Church Workshop Training

If you are a member/ part of a team coordinating programs in the church, then please attend one of the offered workshops in the Illawarra throughout the year. For more information please speak to Annette Hawken.

Confirmed Dates and Locations:

29th Feb - Bowral

4th Apr - Leeton

20th Jun –

Shellharbour

25th Jul –Gerrington

12th Sep –Ulladulla

17th Oct - Corrimal



Aunty Jean Phillips invites you #ChangeTheHeart Prayer Service



Aunty Jean Phillips calls our nation to prayer in the lead up to January 26 #Jan26. #ChangeTheHeart Prayer Services are led and organised by Aboriginal Christian Leaders and bring Australian Christians together across denominations. They are designed to educate Australian Christians about the true history of these lands now called Australia and the truth of #Jan26 and Aboriginal injustices.

WOLLONGONG
Thursday, 23rd Jan
7pm
An offering will be taken up

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COMMON GRACE

“God didn’t stay at a distance... He took us seriously enough to come into our world as one of us.” **N.T.Wright, For All God’s Worth.**

In Every Day a Christmas, Every Heart a manger, Max Lucado brings forth these meditative words for reflection.

1. The story of Christmas is the story of God’s relentless love for us. WE might question his actions, decisions or declarations. But because of Bethlehem, we can never question his unquenchable affection for us.

2. If he is willing to be born in a barnyard, expect him (Jesus) to be at work anywhere. No place is too common. No person is too hardened. No distance is too far. There. Is no limit to his love.

3. Jesus’ time on earth would be a search and rescue mission.

4. In the manger God loves you and through the cross he saves you. But has he taken you to his home? Not yet. He has work for you to do. He wants the world to see what God can do with his purchased possessions.

God prunes us, God decorates us- crowning us, God surrounds us with his grace- receiving God’s gifts, God places us- all the days planned for me were written in your book (Psalm 139: 13-14)

5. Christmas invites us to believe the wildest of promises: God became one of us so that we could become one with him.

Sunday, 29th December
Christmas 1

Readings:

Isaiah 63:7-9

Psalms 148

Hebrews 2:10-18

Matthew 2:13-23

Next Week

Flowers	Robyn Johnson
PC / AV	Colin Gold
Welcomers	Pat Waller Pat Judd
Announcements	Annette Arthur
Elder	Owen Hodgson
Music	Lurline Butler
Bible Reader	Alayne Guerin
Prayer	Darren Kirwood
Offertory Counting	Ian Almond Clive Arthur
Morning Tea	Sandy Brisbane Allan Kew Don Townsend Sue Townsend